The Pope appointed Rev. John Carroll Apostolic Vicar, afterwards 1786. Bishop of Baltimore. He became later the first Archbishop of the United States.

April 28-Maryland ratified Federal Constitution. 1788.

Maryland ceded the District of Columbia to the United States. 1791.

September-Rev. Thomas John Claggett consecrated the first 1792. Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland.

1796. Baltimore City incorporated.

1810. Property qualification for Electors abolished.

1814. September 12-Battle of North Point.

Bombardment of Fort McHenry, during which Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner," September 13. 1814.

1824. Religious tests for office removed.

1825. Jewish disabilities removed.

1828. July 4-Cornerstone of Baltimore and Ohio Railroad laid by Charles Carroll of Carrollton.

1835. Bank riots in Baltimore.

1836. Obed Hussey, of Baltimore, the inventor of the first reaper and mower, cut the first field of grain ever harvested by a reaper (180 acres of wheat, oats and timothy), on the farm of Gen. Tench Tilghman, near Oxford, Talbot County, Md., under the auspices of the Board of Agriculture for the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Owen Dorsey, of Howard County, Md., invented the first successful side-rake reaper attachment.

1837. Governor's Council abolished and the office of Secretary of State created.

1837. Electoral College for the Senate abolished and Senators chosen by popular vote as the result of action of Van Buren electors.

1841. The Eastern Shore Land Office abolished.

1844. First telegraph line in the world built between Baltimore and Washington.

1845. United States Naval Academy established at Annapolis.

1851. July 4-Second State Constitution adopted.

1851. Office of Chancellor abolished and a Commissioner of the Land Office created.

1859. John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry. Frederick County Militia first to arrive on scene.

1861. April 19-Sixth Massachusetts Regiment marches through Balti-

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1862. September—Battle of Antietam.

1863.

1864.

July—Battle of Gettysburg.
July—Battle of Monocacy.
October 12—Third State Constitution adopted. 1864.

September 18-Fourth State Constitution adopted. 1867.

Johns Hopkins University opened. 1876.

1879. New foundation placed under State House and interior of building modernized.

1889. Johns Hopkins Hospital opened.

1896. Geological and Economic Survey established.

1901.

Court of Appeals building completed.

Annex to State House commenced. Occupied by Legislature of 1902. 1904.

1906. The historic old Senate Chamber restored by Governor Edwin Warfield.

Good Roads movement begun. 1908.

1916. Troops of M. N. G. sent to the Mexican border.

1916. Budget System of appropriations adopted by the people of the State as a part of the Constitution.

State Law Department established under the Direction of the Ĭ916. Attorney General.